

**A BROTHER'S LOVE.**  
Though many a year has o'er me past;  
And none from bitter change was free,  
Yet lives one thought—'twill die the last.—  
Sweet sister! 'twas the thought of these!  
Earth, and the loves of earth, are vain,  
But ours was registered above;  
And, Agnes, neither time nor pain  
Have shook thy brother's early love.

I see the parting moment yet,  
I hear thy gentle voice decay,  
Oh! how shall I kiss thee away?  
That from thy cheek I kissed away!

We parted!—many a look I cast  
To see thy lingering on the hill;

Then far from home and thine I past,  
Yet staid in spirit with thee still.

We loved, when hearts were holy things;  
And though my locks are scattered now,  
And time, yet on his softest wings,  
Has touched thy crimson cheek with snow;

And though our early hope is gone,  
And life with slower pulses move,

Come to my heart, till life is done,  
Thou idol of a brother's love.

#### A RICH SCENE.

The Picayune has a way of making its watch returns after philosophy as well as merit. Hear the following conversation between two loafers. The humor is only surpassed by that of brother Neal, in his imminable "charcoal sketches."

"Yes," said Steppy, "you beat me in making out breakfasts and dinners, but you can't be making a raise of drinks as well as I can."

"I knock under," said Brown.

"Do you know how I do it?" said Steppy.

"Utterly ignorant of the *modus operandi*, my dear fellow," said Brown, "but always thought you had a peculiar talent that way."

"I have, sir; so I have, sir," said Steppy.—"Superior education—a knowledge of physiognomy and of human nature does it!"

"Explain," said Brown.

"Be silent," said Steppy.

"Um hum," said Brown, slapping his open mouth with the palm of his hand, *a la Captain Clegg*.

"Well then, you see, unless I'm really shook I always goes it in the bil houses—dodgeries aint genteel. When I sees fellows going up to the bar, I says, how do you do? how are you now? I know at once by my knowledge of physiognomy whether the crowd be whigs or loofones—I don't believe in the hump business. If they're whigs, I at once begins to speak of 'glorious victories'—the triumph of correct principles—the annihilation of leefecofism, and all that sort of thing, and they at once says, what'll you take sir? If I find they are loofoes, I d—n emon skins, leg cubans, and hard cider and thus in either case, walk into a horn and something else if it be stuck time."

"But there are three things that are a puzzle to me," said Steppy, "which are these: who wrote Jenkins' letters? who is elected Governor of Maine? how do you pull wool over the eyes of the bording-house keepers?"

"System, sir, system. My gentlemanly address and prepossessing appearance. I find a pair of spectacles indispensable in carrying out my plans, and a good cane has, in many instances, a prouling effect."

"Let us have light," said Steppy.

"Well," said Brown, "but you are the first person to whom I ever revealed the secret. Well then, like making the egg stand on end, the process is simple when it is made known. Every boarding-house has a label with a black ground and golden letters on the door, saying that it is a boarding-house. You have nothing therefore to do but hover near the door at breakfast or dinner hour, salute the conversation till dinner is announced; sit next him at dinner if possible to keep up the delusion; but this is not indispensable; walk out when he walks out, and it will be at once concluded that you're his particular friend and no questions will be ever asked. I've tried it a thousand times and it never failed in a solitary instance."

"Why don't you follow it up?" said Steppy.  
"Because I have no new customers to do," said Brown. "But I have an idea—a thought has struck me."

"What is it?" said Steppy.  
"Why, that we exchange situations; let you take the run of the boarding-house, and I'll take your place in the hotel business."

"Capital! capital!—excellent! excellent!" said Steppy.

"If you have got capital," said the watchman, just as they had made arrangements for a new start in business—if you have got capital, this is rather a suspicious place to be in." Without listening to a word from them he calaboozed them. The Recorder would listen to no explanation but sent them to the calabooze thirty days each.

A minister reading the first line or so of a chapter in the Bible, the clerk, by some mistake or other, read it after him. The clergyman read as follows: "Moses was an austere man, and made attemtance for the sin of his people." The clerk, who could not exactly catch the sentence, repeated it thus: "Moses was an *oysterman*, and made *attemtance* for the *shins* of his people."

Soon after the Copernican system of Astronomy began to be understood, an old Connecticut farmer went to his parson with the following enquiry: "Dr. T., do you believe in the new story they tell of the earth moving around the sun?" "Yes, certainly."—"Do you think it is according to scripture?" If it is true how could Joshua command the sun to stand still? "Unph!" quoth the Doctor, not a whit puzzled, "Joshua commanded the sun to stand still did he?" "Yes." "Well it stood still did it not?" "Yes." "Very well—How did you ever hear that he set it a-going again?"

Old Weitzler was joking and laughing at rehearsal, instead of minding the business of the scene, Raymond, who was then stage manager, took him to task for this said, "Come, Mr. Weitzler, I wish you would pay a little attention." "Well, sir," answered Mr. Weitzler, so I am—I'm paying as little as I can."

Hats were invented for men in Paris, in 1404.

**STATE OF VERMONT, &c. AT a Probate District of Windsor, ss. Court, held at Caledon, within and for said district, on the twenty-fourth day of December, A. D. 1840.—Present, the Hon. Thomas F. Hammond, Judge.**

**A INSTRUMENT**, purporting to be the last will, in said district, deceased, with the codicil thereto annexed, being presented to the court by Dr. E. Rogers, and John A. Kidder, executors thereof named for propositus; it is ordered by said court, that all persons concerned therein, be notified to appear at a session of said court, to be holden at the Inn of Joseph Adams, in Caledon, in said district, on the fourth Tuesday of January, A. D. 1841, and show cause why the same has not been executed, and with which purpose it is further ordered that a copy of the record of this order be published three weeks successively, in the "Spirit of the Age," printed at Woodstock, in said State, as soon as may be.

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Woodstock, Vt. October 9, 1840.

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**D. R. A. SHERMAN'S MEDICAL LOZENGES.**

IT is the only way to make it pleasant yet discovered. **12 Purchasers will please observe that the name "A. SHERMAN, M. D." is on each box.**

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18 Lozenges are sealed and have A. Sherman, M. D., as the manufacturer and proprietor. Weaknesses of the nerves, and other complaints, and many other diseases, prevail upon them, making them pale and lean of flesh. This can be remedied by the use of strengthening medicine, that will assist nature in all her movements, restore tone to the nerves and support organs. Of this Dr. Taylor's Balsam of Liverwort is the best. It is a great remedy, and is believed to be the disease (consumption) incurable, that is difficult breathing, and seems to heat the chest. There can be no doubt that this medicine is a certain cure for chronic coughs and colds. I have used it for four years, and always found it to be the best. It is a great remedy, and is believed to be the disease (consumption) incurable, that is difficult breathing, and seems to heat the chest. There can be no doubt that this medicine is a certain cure for chronic coughs and colds. 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